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Man Charged with Imprisoning, Stealing from Stan Lee

A man has been charged with stealing money from comic book creator Stan Lee and falsely imprisoning him last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Keya Morgan, aka Keyrash Mazhari (dob 10/21/75), is charged in case BA477677 with one felony count of false imprisonment of an elder by use of fraud and deceit, three felony counts of grand theft from an elder of more than \$950 and one misdemeanor count of elder abuse for knowingly and willfully inflicting mental suffering on the victim.

The grand theft charges include an allegation of taking more than \$100,000 through fraud and embezzlement, according to the felony complaint filed for arrest warrant on May 10.

Morgan was arrested over the weekend in Arizona and is expected to be extradited to Los Angeles County. Arraignment will be scheduled for a later date.

In May and June of 2018, the defendant is accused of taking money belonging to the 95-year-old victim and falsely imprisoning him in a location outside of his residence.

If convicted as charged, he faces a possible maximum sentence of 10 years in custody. Prosecutors are recommending that bail be set at \$300,000.

Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey Stodel of the White Collar Crime Division is prosecuting the case.

The case remains under investigation by the District Attorney's Office, Bureau of Investigation, and the Los Angeles Police Department.

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